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HOUSE RESOLUTION 136

By Scroggs

A RESOLUTION to commend Mr. Tom Brown for his honorable service to the people of Tennessee and congratulate him on his recent honor of being named the 1999 Collierville Person of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated their professional careers to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tom Brown is one such person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Collierville, Tom Brown was recently named as the 1999 Collierville Person of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown is involved in numerous community and church activities; he managed a Little League baseball team for minority children in the 1960s, and has contributed his time and immeasurable talents as a valued member of the Collierville Citizenship Advisory Committee and Leadership Collierville; and

WHEREAS, as the original founder of the Collierville Civic Club, Tom currently serves the club as vice-president, and is also an active participant in Habitat for Humanity; and

WHEREAS, an employee of Memphis Light, Gas, and Water for 41 remarkable years, he lends his wisdom as a distinguished member of the Board of Directors of the Collierville Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown's outstanding success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Tom is a stalwart member of the New Shelby Baptist Church, where he demonstrates his devout religious faith in God, and has served his church and Lord and Savior as a deacon for thirty years and currently serves as chairman; and

WHEREAS, Tom Brown is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people who life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Mr. Tom Brown for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Collierville, and congratulate him on being named as the 1999 Collierville Person of the Year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.